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two use the assumed names "Vanu" and "Jaga".

6. Though the Amrita Bazar Patrika Press Worker's Union is affiliated with the Indian National Trade Union Congress (INTUC), it is reported to be strongly influenced by Communist elements. The president of the union is Mrs. Bina Bhowmik, member of the Legislative Assembly, West Bengal Congress, who acquired her fame as a political worker during her student days as the first woman student to agitate against British rule. At a meeting at Calcutta University, she brought a revolver and fired several shots at the then governor of Bengal, Sir Stanley Jackson; because of this, she was deported for fourteen years. She is presently playing a major part in the strikes and other difficulties the Amrita Bazar Patrika has encountered for the past few months. Though she has followed closely the Communist Party line, it is not known whether or not she is a party member.

Comment. The Morning News on 4 September reported the arrest of Mrs. Bhowmik and thirteen others under the West Bengal Security Act for acts of violence in connection with Amrita Bazar Patrika employees. The Amrita Bazar Patrika carried an article on the same subject in which Pandit Ravi Shanker Shukla, Premier of the Central Provinces and Berar, in commenting on the violence indulged in by the dismissed workers of the Patrika, branded the leaders of these workers as Communists.)

7. Though most of the workers of the Bata Company in Calcutta are Communists, their union, the Bata Worker's Union, is affiliated with the INTUC. In addition to Communist influence, there is also a Socialist group active in this union. The president is Dr. Suresh Chandra Bannerjee who was recently elected president of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee. Bannerjee was formerly a member of Aghoy Ashram. The vice president is Moor Mohamed, and the secretaries are Tejen Bosu and Nikhil Bosu. The Bata Company, though originally entirely Czech-owned, is now two-thirds Indian-owned. Among the Indian shareholders are the notable figures Khaitan and Snehasu Acharya. The latter comes from the illustrious family of the Maharaja of Mysensing. Snehasu has a brilliant academic career, but his politics are far to the left, a far cry from the conservative leanings of his family. He was the leader of the last strike at the Bata Company. Snehasu is very popular with the Communist workers at the Bata Company.

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